

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

GRIBBEN et al.

Application No: 10/732,847

Filed: December 9, 2003

For: *Methods of Inhibiting T Cell  
Proliferation or IL-2 Accumulation  
with CTLA-4 Specific Antibodies*

Art Unit: 1644

Examiner: Phillip Gamber

Attorney Docket No.: **WYS-020.02**

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Restriction Requirement, mailed on March 22, 2007, in the above-referenced application. A petition for a three-month extension of time is submitted herewith. Applicants submit the following remarks in this Response.

Claims 1-14 are currently pending in the application. In response to a prior Restriction Requirement, Applicants previously elected with traverse the following species: **an anti-B7-2 antibody as the blocking molecule, an autoimmune disease as the disease or disorder, and diabetes mellitus as the particular autoimmune disease.**

The Examiner has required a further election under 35 U.S.C. §121 to one of the following species:

- (A) wherein an autoantigen is not administered to the subject; or
- (B) wherein an autoantigen is administered to the subject.

In response, Applicants elect, **with traverse, Group A, wherein an autoantigen is not administered to the subject, for search purposes only**, to which prosecution on the merits shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held allowable. Traversal is to the extent that no

undue burden would be required to search the encompassed species.

Applicants reserve the right to petition the Commissioner to review the restriction requirement if this restriction requirement is made final.

### **CONCLUSION**

If a telephone conversation with Applicants' Attorney would expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at (617)832-1000. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees to our **Deposit Order Account No. 06-1448, reference WYS-020.02.**

Respectfully submitted,

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